## **Report from 2018 Oglala Camp Meeting**

Jonathan just returned from the 2018 Oglala Camp Meeting and it was an amazing time. There were three days of events including a horseshoe tournament, a basketball tournament and a prayer walk through the reserve. Approximately 80 children came with 50 adults, both native and non-native - all one family. Each night opened with a time of worship and prayer.

Jonathan shares: "I have seen positive change since the last time I was there. The people have hearts full of love, praying and acting on their prayers to help bring change. I must honour my Mom, Norma Blacksmith. She acts on the vision that she has for her people. Great change is coming as hope is being released and people are joining in the vision. She puts it all on the line for her people and people are responding from both within and outside the community."

As Jonathan sang during worship, people danced, cried and prayed for the healing of the land and its people. It was wonderful to see the children dancing and having a time of freedom. One young man who had considered suicide the previous night stood with his hands raised and tears in his eyes as Jonathan sang 'Rise Up Mighty Warrior'. He had just met the Holy One and felt the true love of Jesus.

There were many wonderful people who came to serve: musicians, cooks, sound techs, and Pastor Eric and his team. A group from the Kansas City House of Prayer came to lead worship and pray with the people on Saturday before Jonathan spoke and sang.

Jonathan shares: "I want to thank Pastor Eric and his team at The Re Creation Center in Oglala for their amazing support of Norma's vision and the people of Pine Ridge. Your service and sacrifice are truly a blessing to us all."

At the end of the camp meeting, there was a beautiful adoption ceremony. Norma's son, George adopted two young men and a young lady. Now Jonathan has two more nephews (Michael and Chris) and another niece (Tara).

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